EXHIBIT 46.

DATE 3/25/2009

SB 236

Dear Ms. Eck:

Will you kindly pass my message re: SB 236 to the members of the House Judiciary Committee? Thanks very much.

Dear House Judiciary Committee:

I strongly support SB 236, an act abolishing the death penalty in Montana. There are many reasons to do so--the moral imperative, the possibility of judicial fallibility, and the economic burden on the state. Please follow New Mexico Governor Bill Richardson's enlightened view: "Regardless of my personal opinion about the death penalty, I do not have confidence in the criminal justice system as it currently operates to be the final arbiter when it comes to who lives and who dies for their crime," Richardson said.

Please support SB 236. Thanks for considering my comment.

Sincerely, Kathleen Stachowski PO Box 191 Lolo 59847